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Filed Inventors

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Title

: HOT-ROLLED STEEL STRIP FOR HIGH: STRENGTH ELECTRIC RESISTANCE: WELDING PIPE AND MANUFACTURING

: METHOD THEREOF

Dated: July 10, 2006

CLAIM OF EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby respectfully claim a three (3) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extending the time for Response to the outstanding Official Action dated January 10, 2006 from April 10, 2006 to July 10, 2006.

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of \$1,520 is being submitted herewith to cover the extension fee (\$1,020) and to cover the fee for filing of the Notice of Appeal (\$500).

Confirmation of the foregoing Extension of Time is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2719. A duplicate copy of this claim is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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